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Washington 25, D. C.

November 19, 1957

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Mr. Allen W. Dulles  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Administration Building, Room 123  
2430 E Street, N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Allen:

The excellent cooperation of James Angleton and his staff with this Bureau since the inception of the Abel case was of valuable assistance in discharging our internal security responsibilities. I would like you to express my personal appreciation to Mr. Angleton and his staff for the assistance rendered by them in this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Edgar

J. Edgar Hoover

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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Mr. James Angleton  
**VIA:** Deputy Director (Plans)  
**SUBJECT:** Letter of Commendation

1. It is a pleasure to forward to you the attached letter which I received from the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

2. Your performance and that of your staff on this occasion, as on others in the past which have come to my attention, has reflected credit upon this Agency as well as upon yourself. I am fully aware of the high quality of service you are rendering and would appreciate your passing along my commendation to your staff for a job well done.

3. Copies of Mr. Hoover's letter and of this memorandum will be placed in your Agency personnel folder.

**ALLEN W. DULLES**  
Director

Attachment

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Dear Edgar:

Thank you for your letter of November 19, and for the kind words of appreciation for the work of Mr. Angleton and his staff on the Abel case.

It is always a pleasure to hear of a job well done by members of this Agency, and I greatly appreciate your courtesy in writing me about it.

I shall be most pleased to convey your message to Mr. Angleton and his staff and will see that a copy of your letter is placed in his official personnel folder as a matter of record.

Sincerely,

Signed

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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